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## City Council Rules Committee Advances 6 Prospective Ballot Measures

1 Proposal Moves to Full Council, 5 Will Return to Committee in June

SAN DIEGO – The City Council's Rules Committee on Wednesday advanced six proposals that had been submitted for consideration to be placed on the November 2020 general election ballot.

One of them, a proposal to move the San Diego Unified School District Board of Education to district-only voting processes in both the primary and the general elections, will next go to the full City Council for consideration.

Five more proposals were selected for further analysis and preparation by the City Attorney's office and will return to the Rules Committee on June 10. These proposals would:

- remove the 30-foot coastal height limit in the Midway Pacific Highway Community,
- provide the City Auditor with access to outside legal counsel in certain instances,
- create a voluntary program of public financing for candidates in City elections,
- switch to a top-four primary election and ranked choice voting general election in San Diego, and
- eliminate a City ban on project labor agreements so that certain construction projects continue to be eligible for state grant funding.

"I want to thank everyone who participated in this important democratic process and put forward their ideas for the committee to consider," Council President and Rules Committee Chair Georgette Gómez said. "I look forward to reviewing these proposals again after they're analyzed by the City Attorney's office."

In addition to Council President Gómez, the Rules Committee is composed of Council President pro Tempore Barbara Bry (vice chair) and Councilmembers Mark Kersey, Monica Montgomery, and Chris Ward.

All of the proposals that were submitted are summarized in the latest post of "The People's Business."

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Council President Gómez represents the Ninth Council District of the City of San Diego, which includes the communities of Alvarado Estates, City Heights, College Area, College View Estates, El Cerrito, Kensington, Mountain View, Mt. Hope, Rolando, Southcrest, and Talmadge. She chairs the City of San Diego Rules Committee and sits on the Metropolitan Transit System Board of Directors and on the SANDAG Board of Directors and Executive Board.